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C O N F I D E N T I A L THE HAGUE 2260

FROM ODC

E.O.11652: GDS
TAGS: AGAO MARR MASS NL
SUBJECT: GAO REPORT ON F16

REF: STATE 100232, DTG 191800Z APR 78 (NOTAL)

1. DUTCH AF EMBASSY OFFICIALS BOTH BELIEVE THAT EVEN THOUGH THE REPORT, WEHN VIEWED OBJECTIVELY, IS MORE PALATABLE THAN THE PREVIOUS REPORT, IT CERTAINLY DOES LEND ITSELF TO OUT OF CONTEXT QUOTES.

2. THE DEFENSE COMMITTEE OF THE SECOND CHAMBER WILL DEAL WITH THE F-16 OPTION ON 24 MAY; THEREFORE THE RNLK CONSIDERS THE TIMING OF THE REPORT TO BE LESS THAN PERFECT. THEY DO EXPECT IT TO BE HEADLINED BUT DO NOT EXPECT A BIG FLARE UP IN THE PRESS BECAUSE THE REPORT GENERALLY REHASHES LAST YEAR'S GAO COMMENTS AND THE DUTCH PRESS IS CURRENTLY

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MORE INTERESTED IN THE ISSUE OF NAVY P3C LONG RANGE MARITIME PATROL AIRCRAFT REPLACEMENT.

3. ON THE TECHNICAL SIDE, THE GAO REMARKS REGARDING VULNERABILITY AND ENGINE CAPABILITIES ARE THE LEAST APPRECIATED. ON THE MANAGEMENT SIDE, THE REMARKS CONCERNING WORKING AROUND PROBLEMS UNTIL A SOLUTION

IS REACHED TRANSLATES INTO DUTCH AS WORKING AROUND
PROBLEMS UNTIL SUFFICIENT INFORMATION IS RELEASED/
DISCLOSED TO WARRANT A SOLUTION.
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